

# **JUNIOR ORCHESTRA INFORMATION**

## An Overview

❖ When are rehearsals scheduled?

We will rehearse approximately 8 times throughout the year. Junior Band and Orchestra will rehearse on the same day, but at different locations. Orchestra students will be bussed from rehearsal to arrive at their home school no later than 9:00 a.m.

❖ Where are rehearsals located?

Rehearsals for the Junior Orchestra will take place at the **Boyertown Elementary School Gym**.

❖ When will I need to drop off my student?

Student drop off is from 7:00 a.m.-7:20. Rehearsal begins at 7:30 a.m. however we need time to tune the students. When concert time approaches, we will have an **after-school** dress rehearsal at the Senior High School

❖ What is the attendance policy?

Attendance is an extremely important part of a successful ensemble. Students are permitted to have two absences/late arrivals for each concert season. If a student is absent/late from more than two rehearsals, a note will need to be submitted to the director. If a student misses more than half of the rehearsals, their concert participation will be in jeopardy and a meeting with the parent will need to be arranged.

If you have any further questions not addressed by this letter, please contact us at your earliest convenience.

Musically yours,

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### JUNIOR ORCHESTRA SCHEDULE

Dear Parents,

All first year string students participate in the *Elementary Junior Orchestra*.

On the back of this letter is the Orchestra Rehearsal and Concert Schedule for the **Winter** and **Spring** season. Students participating in the Orchestra program are expected to attend all rehearsals. Please notify us in writing if your child misses any rehearsal.

Please mark all dates on your calendar!

A parent/guardian will need to drop off the orchestra student  
at the rehearsal school (BES) from 7:00 a.m.-7:20 a.m.



**Be sure that your child has his/her instrument, music, pencil and MUSIC STAND at all rehearsals.** Instruments may not be left overnight in the school. This promotes poor practice habits. Also, the instruments are valuable and must be treated responsibly.

### **ATTENTION!!!! IN THE EVENT OF SNOW!!!!**



If there is ever a snow delay or school is closed on the day of a rehearsal for any reason,  
**REHEARSAL WILL BE CANCELED.**

# Junior Orchestra Rehearsal Schedule 2021 - 2022

Day	Date	Location	Parent Drop-Off
Wednesday	December 15	BES	7:15 a.m.
Wednesday	January 12	BES	7:15 a.m.
Thursday	February 10	BES	7:15 a.m.
Thursday	March 10	BES	7:15 a.m.
Wednesday	March 30	BES	7:15 a.m.
Thursday	April 21	BES	7:15 a.m.
Friday	May 13	BES	7:15 a.m.
<b><u>DRESS REHEARSAL</u></b>			
<u>MONDAY</u> , May 16th	Senior High School:	Buses drop students off for ..... a 3:45 pm start	
		Parents pick students up in New Auditorium ..... 5:30 pm	
<b><u>SPRING CONCERT</u></b>			
<u>TUESDAY</u> , May 17th	Senior High School:	Tuning & warm up ..... 6:15 pm	
		Concert begins ..... 7:00 pm	

## **CONCERT DRESS**

GIRLS dressy spring outfit

NO JEANS OR SNEAKERS, *please!*

BOYS dressy spring outfit (such as khakis and a polo shirt)

NO JEANS OR SNEAKERS, *please!*

*(However, gentlemen may wear a Van type of shoe)*



## Orchestra Parent Volunteer Sign Up Form

Dear Parents,

With the number of students in the string program continually rising, we need your help. Last year we enlisted the assistance of approximately 25 parent volunteers to aid us with various aspects of our orchestra rehearsal (helping children set up stands, find the bathroom, maintain control, etc.). You will always work in pairs and DO NOT NEED TO BE MUSICALLY INCLINED TO VOLUNTEER. We need lots of help and can't do it without you!

You may volunteer for as many rehearsals as you wish. Morning rehearsals are always at BES and you will be needed from 7:00-9:00 am. Each parent will be given a volunteer schedule once all of the information has been compiled.

PARENT VOLUNTEERS MUST HAVE ALL 3 CLEARANCES ON FILE:  
CRIMINAL, CHILD ABUSE, AND EITHER FINGERPRINT OR NOTORIZED AFFIDAVIT. PLEASE SEE THE SCHOOL DISTRICT WEBSITE FOR LINKS TO OBTAIN ALL FORMS.

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### JR. Orchestra Parent Volunteer Form

Parent Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Child's Name \_\_\_\_\_

Parent's Email Address \_\_\_\_\_

Child's School \_\_\_\_\_ Child's Teacher/Grade \_\_\_\_\_

*The morning Rehearsal Volunteer Time is 7:00-9:00 a.m.*

I am available to help on the following dates: (please check)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Wednesday, December 15 | <input type="checkbox"/> Wednesday, March 30 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Wednesday, January 12  | <input type="checkbox"/> Thursday, April 21  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Thursday, February 10  | <input type="checkbox"/> Friday, May 13      |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Thursday, March 10     |  |

- Dress Rehearsal:**  
Monday, May 16  
3:15-5:30 p.m. @ Senior High New Auditorium  
&  
Concert:  
Tuesday, May 17  
6:00-8:00 p.m. @ Senior High New Auditorium

- I am interested in being a Head Parent for the Jr. Orchestra volunteers.**